BEFORE THE MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:)))
Andre V. Blaylock, M.D.) Case No. 09-2011-216634
Physician's and Surgeon's)
Certificate No. G 51438)
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Respondent)
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DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby adopted as the Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, State of California.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on July 17, 2014

IT IS SO ORDERED July 10, 2014

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

Kimberly Kirchmeyer
Executive Director

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12	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 09-2011-216634	
13	ANDRE V. BLAYLOCK, M.D. 9985 Sierra Fontana, CA 92335	OAH No. 2013070352	
15 16	Physician and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 51438	STIPULATED SURRENDER OF LICENSE AND DISCIPLINARY ORDER	
17	Respondent.		
18 19	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties in this		
20	proceeding that the following matters are true:		
21	<u>PARTIES</u>		
22	1. Kimberly Kirchmeyer (Complainant) is the Executive Director of the Medical Board		
23	of California. She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this		
24	matter by Kamala D. Harris, Attorney General of the State of California, by Matthew M. Davis,		
25	Deputy Attorney General.		
26	2. Andre V. Blaylock, M.D. (Respondent), is represented herein by Robert W. Frank,		
27	Esq., whose address is 1010 Second Avenue, Suite 2500, San Diego, CA 92101.		
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3. On or about October 17, 1983, the Medical Board of California (Board) issued Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 51438 to Respondent. The Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation 09-2011-216634, expired on April 30, 2011, and has not been renewed.

JURISDICTION

4. On March 12, 2013, Accusation No. 09-2011-216634 was filed before the Medical Board of California (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. On May 12, 2013, respondent was served with a true and correct copy of Accusation No. 09-2011-216634, together with true and correct copies of all other statutorily required documents, at his address of record on file with the Board which was and is: 9985 Sierra, Fontana, CA 92335. A true and correct copy of Accusation No. 09-2011-216634 is attached hereto as Attachment "A" and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein. On or about April 5, 2013, respondent filed a Notice of Defense and requested a hearing on the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 09-2011-216634.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and fully understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 09-2011-216634. Respondent also has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and fully understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 09-2011-216634; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf: the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents: the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act, the California Code of Civil Procedure and other applicable laws, having been fully advised of same by his attorney of record. Robert W. Frank, Esq.

7. Respondent, having the benefit of counsel, hereby voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

CULPABILITY

- 8. Respondent does not contest that, at an administrative hearing, complainant could establish a *prima facie* case with respect to the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 09-2011-216634, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment "A," and that he has thereby subjected his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate G 51438 to disciplinary action. Respondent hereby surrenders his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 51438 for the Board's formal acceptance.
- 9. Respondent further agrees that if he ever petitions for reinstatement of his Physician's, and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 51438, or if an accusation is filed against him before the Medical Board of California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 09-2011-216634 shall be deemed true, correct, and fully admitted by Respondent for purposes of any such proceeding or any other licensing proceeding involving Respondent in the state of California or elsewhere.
- 10. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation he enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 51438 without further notice or opportunity to be heard.

CONTINGENCY

- 11. Business and Professions Code section 2224, subdivision (b), provides, in pertinent part, that the Medical Board "shall delegate to its executive director the authority to adopt a . . . stipulation for surrender of a license."
- 12. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order shall be subject to approval of the Executive Director on behalf of the Medical Board. The parties agree that this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order shall be submitted to the Executive Director for her consideration in the above-entitled matter and, further, that the Executive Director shall have a reasonable period of time in which to consider and act on this Stipulated

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Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order after receiving it. By signing this stipulation, Respondent fully understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind this stipulation prior to the time the Executive Director, on behalf of the Medical Board, considers and acts upon it.

The parties agree that this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order 13. shall be null and void and not binding upon the parties unless approved and adopted by the Executive Director on behalf of the Board, except for this paragraph, which shall remain in full force and effect. Respondent fully understands and agrees that in deciding whether or not to approve and adopt this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order, the Executive Director and/or the Board may receive oral and written communications from its staff and/or the Attorney General's Office. Communications pursuant to this paragraph shall not disqualify the Executive Director, the Board, any member thereof, and/or any other person from future participation in this or any other matter affecting or involving Respondent. In the event that the Executive Director on behalf of the Board does not, in her discretion, approve and adopt this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order, with the exception of this paragraph, it shall not become effective, shall be of no evidentiary value whatsoever, and shall not be relied upon or introduced in any disciplinary action by either party hereto. Respondent further agrees that should this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order be rejected for any reason by the Executive Director on behalf of the Board, Respondent will assert no claim that the Executive Director, the Board, or any member thereof, was prejudiced by its/his/her review, discussion and/or consideration of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order or of any matter or matters related hereto.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

14. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties herein to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final and exclusive embodiment of the agreements of the parties in the above-entitled matter.

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- 15. The parties agree that copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order, including copies of the signatures of the parties, may be used in lieu of original documents and signatures and, further, that such copies shall have the same force and effect as originals.
- 16. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree the Executive Director of the Medical Board may, without further notice to or opportunity to be heard by Respondent, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order on behalf of the Board:

DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 51438, heretofore issued to Respondent Andre V. Blaylock, M.D., is surrendered and accepted by the Medical Board of California.

- 1. The surrender of Respondent's Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 51438 and the acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Medical Board of California.
- 2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a Physician and Surgeon in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.
- 3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board his pocket license and, if one was issued, his wall certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 4. If Respondent ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 09-2011-216634 shall be deemed to be true, correct and fully admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.
- 5. If Respondent should ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 09-2011-216634 shall

1	be deemed to be true, correct, and fully admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement		
2	of Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.		
3	<u>ACCEPTANCE</u>		
4	l, Andre V. Blaylock, M.D., have carefully read this Stipulated Surrender of License and		
5	Disciplinary Order and, having the benefit of counsel, enter into it freely, voluntarily,		
6	intelligently, and with full knowledge of its force and effect on my Physician's and Surgeon's		
7	Certificate No. G 51438. I fully understand that, after signing this Stipulated Surrender of		
8	License and Disciplinary Order, I may not withdraw from it, that it shall be submitted to the		
9	Executive Director of the Medical Board of California for her consideration, and that the		
10	Executive Director of the Medical Board of California shall have a reasonable period of time to		
11	consider and act on this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order after receiving it.		
12	By entering into this stipulation, I fully understand that, upon formal acceptance by the Executive		
13	Director of the Medical Board of California, my Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No.		
14	G 51438 shall be surrendered and that I shall lose all rights and privileges as a Physician and		
15	Surgeon in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.		
16	DATED: 535 14 AUGUMP		
17	ANDRE V. BLAYLOCK, M.D.		
18	Respondent ()		
19	I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Andre V. Blaylock, M.D., the terms and		
20	conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Surrender of License and		
21	Disciplinary Order. I approve its form and content		
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23	DATED: 5-3014 ROBERT W. FRANK, ESQ.		
24	Attorney for Respondent		
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ENDORSEMENT The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Medical Board of California of the Department of Consumer Affairs. Dated: (,) ())) Respectfully submitted, KAMALA D. HARRIS Attorney General of California THOMAS S. LAZAR Supervising Deputy Attorney General Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for Complainant

Exhibit A

Accusation No. 09-2011-216634

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15	Physician and Surgeon's Certificate No.		
16	G 51438		
17	Respondent.		
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19		Complainant alleges:	
20	PARTIES Out of the second of the Acquisition solely in		
21	1. Linda K. Whitney (hereinafter "Complainant") brings this Accusation solely in		
22	her official capacity as the Executive Director of the Medical Board of California, Department of		
23	Consumer Affairs.		
24	2. On or about October 17, 1983, the Medical Board of California issued		
25	Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number G 51438 to ANDRE V. BLAYLOCK, M.D.		
26	(hereinafter "Respondent"). The Physician and Surgeon's Certificate was in full force and effect		
27	at all times relevant to the charges brought herein, expired on April 30, 2011, and has not been		
28	renewed.		
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- A. On or about June 18, 2007, patient G.V. then a 51-year-old male patient, was seen by respondent for medication follow-up. Respondent's assessment of patient G.V. included a blood pressure measurement of 181/85 (manual) and 174/76 (machine.) Respondent diagnosed situational anxiety and prescribed Wellbutrin, 150 mg twice daily, for patient G.V.
- B. On or about June 26, 2007, patient G.V. was seen in a Hypertension Family Medicine Department Population Care Management Walk-In Clinic. Patient G.V. was assessed to have uncontrolled hypertension and was prescribed Lisinopril,² 10 mg once per day. Patient G.V. also underwent lab testing, which included a complete blood count (CBC), Thyroid Stimulating Hormone (TSH), Direct LDL, Electrolyte Panel (Sodium, Potassium, Chloride, CO2), Creatinine serum, SGPT (ALT) and SGOT (AST). Patient G.V. was assessed to have stage 3 chronic kidney disease. His labs were noted in the progress note for this visit, including Creatinine of 1.4 and Potassium K of 3.4.
- C. On or about October 6, 2007, patient G.V. underwent further laboratory testing. In addition to a cholesterol panel and an electrolyte panel, patient G.V. underwent a PSA (Prostate Specific Antigen) test. Patient G.V.'s PSA level was measured at 14.47 and was flagged as high. Respondent saw these results on or about October 8, 2007, and noted "Referred to Urology." However, respondent failed to notify Patient G.V. of his elevated PSA or his referral to urology at that time.
- D. On or about April 17, 2008, respondent saw patient G.V. for nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, and diarrhea. Respondent assessed patient G.V. to have gastroenteritis. Respondent did not follow up on patient G.V.'s previous abnormal PSA finding or his referral to urology during this visit.

²⁵ Wellbutrin (bupropion) is an antidepressant medication that is used to treat major

depressive disorder and seasonal affective disorder.

Lisinopril is an ACE inhibitor primarily used in treatment of hypertension, congestive heart failure, and heart attacks, and also in preventing renal and retinal complications of diabetes.

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- E. On or about October 14, 2008, respondent saw patient G.V. for pain and stiffness in his back following a motor vehicle accident. Respondent ordered X-rays and prescribed Vicodin, ³ 5-500 mg, and Nortryptoline, ⁴ 10 mg. Respondent did not follow up on patient G.V.'s previous abnormal PSA finding or his referral to urology during this visit.
- F. On or about November 8, 2008, patient G.V. underwent further laboratory testing. In addition to a cholesterol panel and an electrolyte panel, patient G.V. again underwent a PSA (Prostate Specific Antigen) test. Patient G.V.'s PSA level was measured at 33.39 and was flagged as high. Respondent saw these results on or about November 17, 2008. However, respondent did not advise patient G.V. of these abnormal PSA findings, did not order a follow up visit to address the abnormal PSA findings, and did not order monitoring of the abnormal PSA findings.
- G. On or about November 14, 2008, respondent saw patient G.V. for follow up for his neck and back pain. Respondent did not follow up on patient G.V.'s previous abnormal PSA findings or his referral to urology during this visit.
- H. On or about July 17, 2009, respondent saw patient G.V. for back pain.

 Respondent noticed patient G.V.'s elevated PSA findings and referred patient G.V. to urology for follow up and management.
- 7. Respondent committed gross negligence in his care and treatment of patient G.V. which included, but was not limited to, the following:
 - (a) Respondent failed to timely investigate, diagnose and follow up on patient G.V.'s abnormal PSA findings.

³ Vicodin contains a combination of acetaminophen and hydrocodone. Hydrocodone is in a group of drugs called opioid pain relievers. An opioid is sometimes called a narcotic. Acetaminophen is a less potent pain reliever that increases the effects of hydrocodone. Vicodin is

used to relieve moderate to severe pain.

4 Nortriptyline is a tricyclic antidepressant and is used to treat symptoms of depression.

PRAYER 1 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein 2 alleged, and that following the hearing, the Medical Board of California issue a decision: 3 1. Revoking or suspending Physician and Surgeon's Certificate Number G 51438, 4 heretofore issued to respondent ANDRE V. BLAYLOCK, M.D.; 5 2. Revoking, suspending or denying approval of respondent ANDRE V. 6 BLAYLOCK, M.D.'s authority to supervise physician assistants, pursuant to section 3527 of the 7 Code; 8 3 Ordering respondent ANDRE V. BLAYLOCK, M.D. to pay the Board, if placed 9 on probation, the costs of probation monitoring; and 10 4. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper. 11 12 13 14 DATED: March 12, 2013 Executive Director 15 Medical Board of California 16 Department of Consumer Affairs State of California 17 Complainant 18 SD2010703215 19 70404380.doc 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28